

Remarks and Arguments

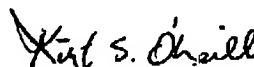
In the Office Action, the examiner maintained his rejection of claims 42 and 44 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Mathiell et al (U.S. Patent No. 4,526,242). In addition, the examiner objected to claim 43 as being dependent upon rejected claim 42.

Claims 42 and 44 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Additionally, Applicant respectfully submits amended claim 43 rewritten in independent form. All claims should now be allowable.

Although Applicant is unaware of any additional filing fees necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to withdraw or credit any filing fees associated with this Response from Deposit Account No. 01-0477.

Respectfully submitted,



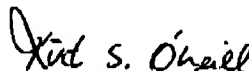
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